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Serial No.: 09/682,565 )  
Filed: 09/20/2001 )  
For: Method for Simplifying the Casting of )  
Ophthalmic Lenses )

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**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

**STATUS**

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

**EXTENSION OF TERM**

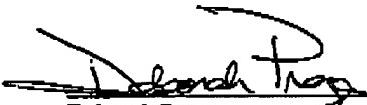
3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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(37 C.F.R. 1.8(a))

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**FEE FOR CLAIMS**

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)		(Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY		
Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee		
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Indep. 3	Minus 3	= 0	x \$43 =	\$0		
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				+ \$145 =	\$0	
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No additional fee for claims is required.

Very respectfully,

**SIGNATURE OF PRACTITIONER**

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